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Minutes of a Meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee held in the Conference Room, Riverside, Lowestoft on Tuesday, 6 July 2021 at 4:00pm

Members of the Sub-Committee present:

Councillor Paul Ashdown, Councillor Janet Craig, Councillor John Fisher, Councillor Mark Newton

Officers present:

Teresa Bailey (Senior Licensing Officer), Martin Clarke (Acting Legal and Licensing Services Manager), Matt Makin (Democratic Services Officer)

1 Election of a Chairman

The Democratic Services Officer opened the meeting and sought nominations for a Chairman.

On the proposition of Councillor Ashdown, seconded by Councillor Newton it was

RESOLVED

That Councillor Janet Craig be elected Chairman for the meeting.

2 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Declarations of Lobbying and Responses to Lobbying

There were no declarations of lobbying.

5 Film classification: Various short films to be shown at the Latitude Festival 2021

The Sub-Committee received report **ES/0829** of the Acting Licensing and Legal Services Manager. The Chairman invited the Senior Licensing Officer to summarise the report.

The Sub-Committee was advised that the Latitude Festival was an annual three-day event, held at Henham Park. One of the festival's arenas was dedicated to film and music and Festival Republic, the applicant, sought classification for several short films that would be shown during the festival. The Senior Licensing Officer stated that the Sub-Committee had viewed the films earlier that day.

The Licensing Sub-Committee announced its decision on the classification of the following films:

Lit - 15
Alex Brooker's Comedy Short - 15
Morgana Robinson's Comedy Short - 15
Jonny Pelham's Comedy Short - 15
Katherine Ryan's Comedy Short - 15
Susan Wokoma's Comedy Short - 12

When announcing its decision, the Sub-Committee noted that the applicant had suggested that Susan Wokoma's Comedy Short could be classified as a 15 certificate; the Sub-Committee stated that it did not consider that the content of the film met the BBFC classification criteria for a 15 certificate and considered it could be given a 12 certificate.

The Chairman advised that any party aggrieved by the Sub-Committee's decision could appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of its decision.

Chairman